## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: PRODUCTION OF STRUCTURED HARD CHROME LAYERS

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action of July 30, 2008, and to the Advisory Action mailed October 9, 2008, amendment to the above-identified patent application is requested.

The present amendment comprises the following sections:

- A. Listing of the Claims
- B. Remarks

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